

3. (Amended) A method of providing a customized contact lens to a user linked to a computer network interface, said method comprising configuring the customized contact lens for the user linked to a computer network interface, wherein the configuring includes the steps of:

providing a plurality of sample eye templates for selection by said user via said computer network interface;

receiving a request from said user indicating selection of at least one of said eye templates;

providing said user with a plurality of available colors for incorporation into a portion of said selected template;

receiving a request from said user indicating selection of at least one of said colors;

providing said user with an image of said selected eye template incorporating said at least one selected color;

receiving a request from said user to order at least one contact lens made in accordance with said image and said template; and

forwarding information relating to said image for fabrication into at least one contact lens made in accordance with said image and said template.

4. (Amended) The method of claim 3, wherein the configuring further comprises the steps of receiving information from said user relating to cornea shape and size; and initially selecting said eye templates in accordance with said user-provided information prior to being provided to said user for selection.

6. (Amended) A method of providing a customized contact lens to a user linked to a computer network interface, said method comprising configuring the customized contact lens for the user linked to a computer network interface and sending an ordering request to order a contact lens, wherein the configuring includes the steps of:

displaying a template eye image to assist said user in visualizing selected options for a customized contact lens; and

displaying a plurality of contact lens selection options to said user, said selection options including a plurality of selectable lens colors and lens design patterns.

8. (Amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the configuring further comprises the step of deriving a contact lens pattern that, when worn, modifies the appearance of an eye according to the intentions of the user.